

The Crane House  
124 Union Avenue N.  
Cranford, Union County, New Jersey

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Owner: Union County Park Commission

Date of Erection: 1867

Architect:

Builder: William C. Wells

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Foundation - fieldstone

Exterior walls - frame  
construction, clapboards

Interior walls - plaster

Roof - pitch, asphalt  
shingles

Historical Data:

The house was erected in 1867 by a carpenter named William C. Wells, but it is uncertain for whom it was built. The property upon which it was erected was deeded in 1864 to Josiah Crane, Jr. Early in 1867 it was deeded to Henry J. Phillips. It was occupied by the Phillips family until 1902. It was

either vacant or rented until 1931, when the house and property were donated to the Union County Park Commission by the Township of Cranford. Since October, 1931, the house has been rented from the Park Commission and used as a museum by the Cranford Historical Society.

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